## NEVADA DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

## FACT SHEET

(Pursuant to NAC 445A.236)

Permittee Name: General Permit for Maintenance

Water Pollution Control

Discharge Permit No.: GNV9800002

Description of Discharge: Pollutants associated with use of heavy

equipment for routine maintenance activities when working in waters of the

State (formerly rolling stock)

Flow: Not applicable

Receiving Water

Characteristics: Variable

Location: Statewide

Characteristics: The use of wheeled or tracked vehicles or equipment in waters dislodges sediment and can result in the discharge of oil, grease, and other pollutants.

**Permit Requirements:** Best Management Practices (BMPs) designed to: minimize sediment generation, release and transport; prevent the discharge of oil, grease and other pollutants; and minimize and prevent damage to vegetation. Project reports with photo documentation. Water quality monitoring may be required.

Rationale for Permit Requirements: Heavy equipment/rolling stock in water is defined as a point source of pollution under Federal and State law. Discharge permits are required of point source dischargers. This general permit authorizes routine maintenance activities to be conducted based on standard conditions or site specific plans as appropriate.

**Proposed Determination:** The Division of Environmental Protection has made the tentative determination to renew the permit (No. GNV9800002) for a period of five (5) years.

Procedures for Public Comment: Notice of the Division of Environmental Protection's intent to renew the permit is being sent to the Reno Gazette-Journal, Las Vegas Review-Journal, Nevada Appeal, and the Elko Daily Free Press. The notice is being mailed to interested persons on our mailing list. Anyone wishing to comment on the proposed permit renewal can do so in writing for a period of 30 days following the date of public notice, by March 17, 2004. The comment period can be extended by the Administrator.

A public hearing on the proposed determination can be requested by the

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applicant, any affected State, any affected interstate Agency, the Regional Administrator, or any interested Agency, person, or group of persons.

The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request, and the reasons why a hearing is warranted.

All public hearings must be conducted in accordance with NAC 445A.238. The final determination of the Administrator may be appealed to the State Environmental Commission pursuant to NRS 445A.605.

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